

It is my belief that the concentration of media ownership should be limited.

It is true that there are benefits to be realized from economies of scale, and that they would accrue to owners of the media companies as they acquire more outlets. However, those same benefits to the larger companies become disadvantages to smaller or more local ownership groups. This increasing cost structure disparity between the large and small ownership groups serves to eliminate competition through 'market forces' (permitted by the FCC via rule changes). This tends to limit the voices dissent.

Given that all news is shaped by ones own experience, both in what is covered and how it is covered, it is important to limit control in media markets, both within and across distribution channels.

I would urge you to resist liberalizing the current rules.